

CLAIMS

1. A method for raising funds comprising:

(a) providing a storage and display case, wherein said storage and display case comprises a plurality of spaces for housing a single or a plurality of cremation storage vessels in each space; and

(b) selling said spaces to donors by an entity for raising funds through the sale of said spaces, wherein said donors are associated with said entity.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein a provider provides said storage and display case to said entity.

3. The method of claim 2, wherein said provider provides the storage and display case to said entity for free in return for a portion of revenue from sales of said spaces.

4. The method of claim 2, further comprising said provider having an agreement with said entity that a specified portion of funds raised through said selling of said spaces revert to said provider.

5. The method of claim 2, wherein said selling of said spaces further comprises:

(a) said donor reserving said space for storage of cremation storage vessels for X amount of money paid to said entity;

(b) said donor paying said entity Y amount of money per period of time until the total amount of money paid by donor to said entity equals X amount of money; and

(c) said entity paying said provider a pre-determined percentage of said money paid to said entity by said donor.

6. The method of claim 1, wherein said storage and display case comprises one of a wall-mounted burial columbarium, an outdoor burial columbarium, a veteran's memorial plaque, and a memento casket.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein said entity comprises one of a religious institution, an academic institution, a military institution, a veteran's organization, a private club, a fraternal organization and a community organization.

8. The method of claim 1, wherein said entity is a non-profit institution.

9. The method of claim 2, wherein said storage and display case is located on said entity's property.

10. The method of claim 1, wherein said cremation storage vessels contain ashes of deceased living beings.

11. The method of claim 2, wherein said ashes of deceased living beings are of deceased living beings associated with said entity.

12. The method of claim 10, further comprising associating said entities with a cremation society to enable said entities to assist family members of said deceased living beings with ritual obligations associated with death.

13. A method of raising funds and storing and displaying in a secure fashion a variable plurality of cremation storage vessels comprising:

(a) a provider providing a storage and display case to an entity, wherein said storage and display case has locations for retaining in a secure fashion a plurality of cremation storage vessels, the storage and display case comprising:

i) a plurality of hollow cavities, each hollow cavity having an opening on a front face thereof;

ii) boundary members within said cavities for defining interior storage and display positions for said cremation storage vessels and other personal memorabilia;

iii) storage vessel retainers disposed adjacent to the display positions for securing vessels disposed in those display positions;

iv) a decorative face block, configured to be connected with and substantially aligned against said front face of said cavities;

5 (b) reserving and selling said cavities by said entity to donors; and

(c) said provider receiving a specified portion of funds raised by said entity through said selling of said cavities.

14. A method of raising funds and storing and displaying in a secure fashion a variable plurality of cremation storage vessels comprising the steps of:

10 (a) providing a burial columbarium to an entity by a provider, wherein said burial columbarium has means for retaining in a secure fashion a variable plurality of cremation storage vessels, said burial columbarium comprising:

15 i) a plurality of rectangular hollow cavities, each having an opening on a front face thereof;

ii) a plurality of decorative face blocks, wherein each of said face blocks is attachable to said front surface of said cavities;

(b) reserving and selling said cavities to donors by said entity; and

20 (c) said provider and said entity agreeing that a specified portion of funds raised through said selling of said cavities revert to said provider.

15. A wall-mountable burial columbarium structure comprising:

25 (a) a plurality of niches having adjacent top, bottom, side and back walls and an opening formed in a front surface of said niches, said opening providing access into a hollow cavity substantially horizontally disposed within said niches;

(b) a plurality of decorative face blocks covering said openings;

(c) means for connecting said face block against and substantially aligned with said front surface;

(d) means for securely storing cremation vessels inside said niches, wherein said cremation vessels house ashes of deceased living beings inside said niches; and

(e) means for mounting said burial columbarium structure on a wall of a building.

16. The burial columbarium structure of claim 15, wherein the means for mounting said burial columbarium structure on a wall are preferably on a back side of the back panel of said plurality of niches.

17. The burial columbarium structure of claim 15, wherein the means for mounting said burial columbarium structure on a wall are hidden when said burial columbarium structure is mounted on a wall.

18. The burial columbarium structure of claim 15, wherein the means for mounting said burial columbarium structure on a wall is a hook and

19. The burial columbarium structure of claim 15, further comprising said cremation vessels for storing the ashes of deceased living beings.

20. A wall mounted burial columbarium structure comprising:

(a) a plurality of niches having adjacent top, bottom, side and back walls and an opening formed in a front surface of said niches, said opening providing access into a hollow cavity substantially horizontally disposed within said niches;

(b) a plurality of decorative face blocks covering said openings;

(c) means for connecting said face block against and substantially aligned with said front surface;

(d) means for securely storing cremation vessels inside said niches, wherein said cremation vessels house ashes of deceased living beings;

(e) means for mounting said burial columbarium structure on a wall of a building; and

(f) an ornamental structure around a portion of said plurality of niches.

5 21. The burial columbarium of claim 20, wherein a crest or other distinguishing mark of an entity is placed on a surface of said ornamental structure.

22. The burial columbarium of claim 20, wherein letters and words are placed on a surface of said ornamental structure.

10 23. The burial columbarium of claim 20, wherein said ornamental structure is shaped in classical designs, preferably Grecian or Roman designs.

24. A method of raising funds and storing and displaying in a secure fashion a variable plurality of cremation storage vessels comprising:

15 (a) an entity obtaining a storage and display case from a provider, wherein said storage and display case has locations for retaining in a secure fashion a plurality of cremation storage vessels, the storage and display case comprising:

20 i) a plurality of hollow cavities, each hollow cavity having an opening on a front face thereof;

ii) boundary members within said cavities for defining interior storage and display positions for said cremation storage vessels and other personal memorabilia;

25 iii) storage vessel retainers disposed adjacent to the display positions for securing vessels disposed in those display positions;

iv) a decorative face block, configured to be connected with and substantially aligned against said front face of said cavities;

(b) reserving and selling said cavities by said entity to donors to raise funds; and

(c) said entity paying said provider a specified portion of funds raised by said entity through selling of said cavities.